considering the fact that the functioning of the offices at the above two places became uneconomical and non-productive;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the HMT Limited has also not made any headway in starting work on the Rupee 130 crore contract it had won from Tehran Metro, Iran, for setting up of a metro workshop; and

(e) if so, what are the reasons therefor and what action the HMT Limited is planning to take to start the work on the said project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and (b) During 1994-95, the total value of exports of HMT (International) (HMT (I) was approximately Rs. 40 crore as against Rs. 48 crore during 1993-94. The fall was due to global recession, lack of finances in trditional markets of HMT(I) and political and economic changes in eastern Europe and erstwhile USSR.

(c) HMT (I) offices are opened and closed from time to time depending upon the business potential of the region, viability etc. during 1994-95 the Australia and Iran offices were closed.

(d) and (e) Against stiff global competition, HMT(I) was awarded a contract in Iran by the Tehran Urban and Suburban Railway Co. (TUSRC) for settingh up a maintenance workshop valued at Rs. 130 crore. As per the terms of the contract, HMT (I) had performed its obligations towards the execution of the contract. TUSRC were, however, unable to open the Letter of Credit for supply of the machines and equipment due to their financial difficulties.

NRI investment proposals in Gujarat

6431. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Non-Resident Indians who have come forward to invest in Gujarat State during the next financial year;

(b) the amount proposed to be invested by the NRIs during the above period; and

(c) the facilities offered by the State Government to those NRIs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (c) Since the introducation of New Industrial Policy in July 1991, till 30-4-95, Government have approved 72 proposals involving NRI Investment of about Rs. 446.30 crores for setting up industries in Gujarat. Details regarding plans and proposed investment by NRIs for next financial year are not available with the Governemnt since approvals are dependent on applications being made.

The State Government formulate their own incentive schemes and facilities for attracting NRI Investment in their States.

Welfare measures by PSUs

6432. SHRI SANATAN BISI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the target amount under welfare measures in the budget of each Public Sector Undertaking for the upliftment of the weaker sections of the society living in and around the township of each undertaking for the year 1995-96; and

(b) the details of programmes undertaken, undertaking-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and (b) The Public Sector Undertakings have full autonomy to identify and implement social activities keeping in view their financial ability to sustain such activities, operating environment and provisions in their Memoranda of Association/ Statutes. They are not required to obtain the approval of the Govt. for undertaking such activities.

Foreign investment in Orissa

6433. SHRI SANATAN BISI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state the details of projected and actual inflow